

## SYNDICATE MAY PAY THE VENEZUELAN DEBT

Banker Seligman Calls Upon  
the President.

### MAY ASK FOR A GUARANTEE

Mr. Hay Hears Nothing of Plan—Unit-  
ed States Not Likely to Give  
Such Assistance.

Venezuela's scheme for paying her German and British creditors through an American syndicate has not been communicated to the State Department as yet. Seligman & Co., of New York, bankers, are credited with moving in the matter, and Isaac N. Seligman, of that firm, came to Washington in reference to the matter today.

Early this afternoon he conferred with the President at the White House offices, and outlined the plan he has in mind. On leaving the White House, Mr. Seligman said:

"The matter is not yet in such shape that I can say anything about it. At the present moment my conference with the President is entirely a personal matter, of which it would be manifestly improper to speak publicly."

It is more than probable that Mr. Seligman will endeavor to secure from the Administration some form of a guarantee of the bonds to be issued. Under ordinary conditions they would sell at 25 cents on the dollar; with the guarantee of the United States they would be worth more than par.

However, it is next to impossible for the United States to give such a guarantee. Despite the fact that an amicable solution of Venezuela's financial ills would relieve this Government of great anxiety, any American who undertakes the floating of such bonds will be told that he does it at his own risk, and that he cannot count upon this Government for their collection when due. Whether Mr. Seligman and his partners will persist in their plans under such circumstances remains to be seen.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—A rumor that Venezuela is going to pay through an Anglo-American banking firm the claims held against her by Germany and Great Britain is exciting interest in Wall Street. It is thought that the intermediary bankers are Seligman & Co.

## NOT AFTER MONEY, SAYS WILSON OF PRINCETON

University President in Chi-  
cago on Social Visit.

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—President Woodrow Wilson, of Princeton University, denies that his visit to Chicago has anything to do with any plan for obtaining \$12,500,000, which he says is needed to make Princeton a great scientific institution without a competitor among universities.

"Princeton does want \$12,500,000," he said, "and probably will get it, but my visit is simply in response to an invitation from the Commercial Club, and a desire to meet the Princeton alumni in this city."

When asked for an expression of opinion, concerning the attitude of President Eliot, of Harvard, toward the public schools, he said:

"President Eliot in one respect is like the late Senator John J. Ingalls. He always says a thing so positively that he leaves no room for explanation thereafter."

He thought also, he said, that President Eliot had been misunderstood, and that a false interpretation had been put upon his remarks.

### DIED.

HARRISON—On Friday, November 28, 1902, at 19-29, RICHARD HARRISON.

We miss thee from our home dear husband;  
We miss thee from thy place;  
A shadow 'er our life is cast;  
We miss the sunshine of thy face;  
We miss thy kind and willing hand,  
Thy fond and earnest care;  
Our home is dark without thee,  
We miss thee everywhere.

By His Loving Wife,  
MARGARET V. HARRISON.

Home is sad, oh God how dreary;  
Lonesome, lonesome, every spot;  
Listening for his voice till weary,  
Weary, for I will hear him not.  
By His Loving Son GEORGE.

Funeral from his late residence, 945 Letter Street southwest, thence to Fifth Chapel on Monday, December 1, 1902, at 12 o'clock p. m. Interment private.

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TOWNSEND—On Thursday, November 27, 1902, at his residence in this city, RICHARD H. TOWNSEND.

Funeral services will be held at St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church on Monday, December 1, 1902, at 12 o'clock p. m. Interment private.

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EBERT—On Friday, November 28, 1902, at 8:15 p. m., ROSALIE, beloved wife of Charles Ebert, in her sixty-fifth year.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

## CONGRESS TO CONVENE AT NOON ON MONDAY

Program of Opening Day Uncertain—May Adjourn Immediately for Deceased Members.

The second session of the fifty-seventh Congress will be called to order at noon Monday, to terminate at noon March 4.

It has not yet been decided whether new members will be sworn in and received on Monday, or whether both houses will adjourn immediately out of respect to the memory of deceased members.

If any business is transacted on Monday, the first thing to be done after the roll call will be the presenting of credentials and the swearing in of new members chosen to take the places of those who have died, resigned or been unseated. In the Senate General Alger will be seated as the successor of the late Senator McMillan of Michigan. In the House there will be seventeen changes.

Next committees will be appointed from both the House and Senate to wait upon the President and inform him that Congress is ready "to receive any communication he may be pleased to make."

Owing to the brief time that Congress has at its disposal at this session—three months—there are few who believe that any important portion of the vast amount of legislative business that has been suggested can be disposed of. Some members predict that little can be accomplished beyond the passage of the eleven great supply bills, aggregating about \$800,000,000.

### The Statehood Bill.

The first contest will be on before the adjournment for the Christmas holidays. It will come on the floor of the Senate, with the report of the Committee on Territories on the omnibus bill giving Statehood to Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arizona. This bill passed the House at the last session by practically a unanimous vote.

It was freely admitted, however, that the action of the House could not be accepted as an index to the true feeling existing; it was pronounced quite generally, a bit of political expediency, a step taken in the hour of a crisis, and retracted by the Senate a day afterwards by the desire of the House leaders, that the Senate should assume the responsibility.

Oklahoma's friends are alarmed over the existing status, and before the recess they will make one desperate effort to separate Oklahoma from her riders and carry her alone to the Statehood goal. Much doubt is expressed whether the omnibus bill can become a law.

### The Reciprocity Treaties.

Overshadowing the Statehood bill in general importance are reciprocity treaties which the Senate will be asked again to ratify. Their fate is of special moment, as the future relations of the United States with Cuba are at stake. A program on reciprocity has not yet been mapped out by its advocates, principally because of the uncertain attitude of Cuba herself. The Cuban reciprocity bill, which passed the House last session, so amended as to be acceptable to neither side of the controversy, is before the Senate.

Cuba's attitude is not well understood and a Cuban reciprocity treaty is not yet ready for submission. The "reconcentrados" of the last session, whose ranks have been thinned rather than strengthened, will endeavor to keep up the fight, and for the present will content themselves with urging non-action on the bill, in order that a reciprocity treaty, when presented, may be considered "without prejudice."

How far they will go in opposing ratification of any such treaty, has not yet been decided; but they will be flanked by Senators from other States, whose interests are involved in other treaties to be submitted, and which, from local considerations, they will feel bound to defeat.

As an example, the Hay-Bond treaty between the United States and Great Britain on behalf of Newfoundland may be cited. It has the cordial dislike of the Senators from the New England States.

Anti-Trust Legislation.

Upon the subject of anti-trust legislation there is quite a general desire and disposition to take some action. Republicans will make a strenuous endeavor to harmonize upon some amendments to the Sherman law which, can be enacted at this session in line with the suggestions of Attorney General Knox and the views of President Roosevelt. They will be in harmony with the "publicity" and "compulsory inspection" ideas, but will leave further treatment of the various evils alleged to members of the Fifty-eighth Congress, most of whom are committed to action by the pledges made in the course of the last campaign.

### Earth Revision.

Earth revision will have Congress in session, and the general feeling is that the building of a new Congress is expected.

A bill is expected in the Senate which will amend the act of March 3, 1901, which was the result of the amendment of President McKinley. The bill is expected to be passed by the Senate at the last session, but it is expected that it will be passed by the House at the last session.

### Companies Notify Patrons It Will Be Turned Off.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 29.—Some months ago the Indianapolis Gas Company notified its patrons that it would not supply natural gas after October 1, but the city instituted suits and the company was enjoined from disconnecting patrons pending a decision.

Bills were rendered for October as usual, but many of the company's patrons refused to pay the October bills, holding that they were getting poor and inadequate service.

Wednesday the company's employees began cutting off the gas supply from the houses of all delinquents, and up to date 4,000 patrons have been cut off from the service.

### EIGHT YEARS FOR GRUEN.

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—An Altengruen factory owner named Gruen escaped to America some months ago, after having committed large embezzlements, and who was later extradited, was today sentenced to eight years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

### A Guaranteed Cure for Piles.

Itching, Blind, Bleeding and protruding piles. No cure, no pay. All druggists are authorized by the manufacturers of Pazo Ointment to refund the money where it fails to cure any case of piles, no matter how long standing. Cures ordinary cases in six days; the worst cases in fourteen days. One application gives ease, and rest. Relieves itching instantly. This is a new discovery, and it is the only pile remedy sold on a positive guarantee, no cure, no pay. Price, 50c.

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With Family.

General Russel A. Alger, of Michigan, who was appointed Senator some time ago by Governor Bliss to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Senator McMillan, arrived here last evening with his family in a private car. He is staying at the Arlington. General Alger expressed himself as much pleased to be in Washington again. If precedent is carried out, General Alger will not be sworn in as a Senator till next Tuesday. When the official announcement of Senator McMillan's death is made by Senator Burrows next Monday the Senate, as a mark of respect, will immediately adjourn.

Senator Alger was accompanied by Mrs. Alger; Major Hopkins, who was his military secretary in the War Department during hostilities with Spain; Capt. and Mrs. C. B. Pike, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Alger, of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Alger, Jr., of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Shelton, of Detroit, his two sons and daughters and their wives and husbands, respectively. Major Hopkins is en route to New York.

Witness Tells Story of Havana Strike Riots

Mr. and Mrs. Logan Have Unfortunate Experience.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Among the passengers who arrived this morning on the steamship Vigilance, from Havana, were Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Logan. The Logans were in Havana at the time of the strike and saw some exciting times. As they all traded sympathies with the strikers, they were forced to observe what was a very unusual sight.

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## CUBAN LAD DECLINES TO SALUTE OLD GLORY

Talk of His Country's Wrongs  
Makes Boy Indignant.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—"America did so many bad things to Cuba—I will never salute the flag! Never! Never!" And eight-year-old Tomas Assania, with his black eyes burning and his dark blood mantling his brown cheeks, held his little arms stiffly at his sides and glared at his teacher.

Tomas Assania is the son of a Cuban cigarmaker, and was born in the Isle of the Long Star. He came into the world in the midst of the struggle of Cuba for freedom, and his early years were passed in exciting scenes. He has lived in New York, since the close of the Spanish war, but pines for the land of his birth. He is a pupil in the eighth grade of the public school for boys at 109th Street, near Amsterdam Avenue. He hears his parents talk about Cuban reciprocity, and what America should do for Cuba, and does not do.

At this school it is the custom for the boys every morning to salute the flag. The classes gather in the assembly room, and after the other exercises, there is a little band parading down the aisle, and the American flag is carried ahead by two very proud boys. The boys march out, form in line, and as the flag passes every one must salute it with military precision, the hand raised to the rim of the cap.

The teacher of Tomas Assania's class noticed that the sturdy little Cuban stood like a post, without saluting, and she told him to do it, and that he must do it.

"No, I shall not," said the boy. "But it is the rule. The flag protects you and affords you a peaceful home. You should do it. You are the only boy who does not do it."

"I shall never do it!" persisted the boy. "But why?"

"America did so many bad things to Cuba. So many bad things. I will not do it." And he braced his little legs far apart and looked defiant. The principal took the boy on his knee and told over the story of Cuba, and how we freed it, and gave it its own government, but still the boy was obstinate, and he was sent back to his class.

### ROYAL SOCIETY MEMBERS.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The Royal Society has elected Prof. Albert Michelson, of Chicago, and George Williams, of Washington, corresponding members.

## "Incurable Consumption" CURED!

BUSINESS MEN TO INQUIRE  
INTO LOCAL COAL FAMINE

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ceived the approval of the Business Men's Association, and will be presented at the meeting Monday afternoon for the consideration of the committee appointed by Commissioner Macfarland.

The Business Men's Association, through a special committee, composed of R. P. Andrews, Louis P. Shoemaker, Barry Bulkley, and John Doyle Carmody, have had the coal situation under consideration for four weeks, with reference to an alleged discrimination in price here as against Baltimore. They have ascertained that there is no ground for the charge, but have learned other facts which will be considered further.

### Relief for Traction Men.

Many of the local corporations and other large employers of men have found it necessary to interest themselves in the relief of their employees, for whom they are endeavoring to secure fuel. The initiative in this matter was taken by Gen. George H. Harris, of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, whose 1,500 employees have already suffered from the scarcity of fuel.

The company has succeeded in securing coal enough for its own use, and has just contracted for enough anthracite to supply the needs of its employees for the winter. This coal will be sold to employees at the prices that prevailed last year, and in case of a difference in price the company will make up the deficiency.

### HAYES DOWNS BEALE.

Bernhard Hayes proved the better man last night, in his bout with Warren Beale, in the Empire Theater, winning two out of three, catch-as-catch-can. Both men are well-known local wrestlers, and the match attracted a large audience. Hayes put Beale's shoulders to the mat in the first bout in forty seconds. The second was a draw. The third was won by Beale on a half-Nelson, in 3½ minutes, and Hayes won out in the fourth in three minutes, with a full-Nelson. Terry McGovern was referee. He was given a warm reception.

### CHILDREN FATALLY BURNED.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 29.—Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bressler were fatally burned by the explosion of gasoline in their home, 126 North Euter Street, yesterday. The victims are Abraham, aged one year; Isaac, three years, and William, aged four and a half years.